



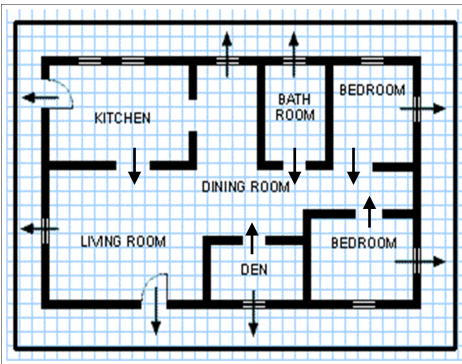
EMERGENCY PLAN

*Preparedness is everyone's responsibility. In St. Clair County there are only 800 emergency responders for 170,000 residents. During the first 72 hours following an emergency or disaster, essential services may not be available. Residents must **BE READY** to survive on their own after an emergency.*

Do you know what you and your family would do following an emergency or disaster? How would you know if everyone is okay? The best way to prepare your family for an emergency is to make an emergency plan BEFORE disaster strikes.

- First of all, choose an out-of-town contact for each family member to check in with. Someone out-of-town is best because it is typically easier to get through long-distance on a phone following an emergency. Your contact should keep a record of who has checked in and at what time.
- Next, designate an area of your home as your “Safe Room.” All family members should know to go to this room if there is a tornado warning or if an order has been placed to shelter-in-place. The room should have as few windows and doors as possible and would preferably have no exterior walls.
- Now it is time to figure out an escape plan in your home in case of fire (see page 2). Figure out two ways out of every room in the home. Go over the exit plan with all family members and practice escaping with children. Choose a designated area outside the home where all family members will meet after escaping. This is your “Meeting Place.” Make the area a safe distance from the home. Do not choose the mailbox or any area near the road where a fire truck could hit someone. In case of major damage or threat, also choose a neighborhood meeting place far from the home.
- Finally, make a communication plan. (See page 3 or click “My Plan” on the main page of www.BeReadyStClairCounty.org.) Record the phone numbers, birth dates, social security numbers, and addresses of places frequented for each family member. Fill out a wallet-sized Communication Plan Card for each family member to carry at all times (See page 4.) For the last step, program the In Case of Emergency or “ICE” contact in each person’s cell phone. First responders know to look for “ICE” in the cell phone contact list to notify an emergency contact if a person has been injured.

For more information about creating an Emergency Plan, contact the St. Clair County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management at (810) 989-6965.



Sample

ESCAPE PLAN

2 Ways Out of Every Room



Level 1

Outside Meeting Place:

Level 2

Neighborhood Meeting Place:

◻ = Shelter-in-Place Area ▲ = Fire Extinguisher ★ = Disaster Supply Kit

TIP: Practice your plan when you change your clocks for daylight savings.



Family Communications Plan

Your family members might not all be together during an emergency or disaster. This form can help you contact and account for one another following an emergency.

Name:

Date of Birth	Social Security #	Important Medical Information
Email Address:		
Work/School Address:		
Work/School Phone #:	Cell Phone #:	

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Outdoor Meeting Place:
Neighborhood Meeting Place:

Important Phone Numbers	
Emergencies: 9-1-1	Home Phone:
Police Non-Emergency:	Out-of-Town Contact:
Doctor:	Homeowners Insurance:
Medical Insurance:	Vet/Kennel (for pets):



Emergency Cards

Fill out one Emergency Card for each member of the family. Cut each card out and have every family member carry theirs at all times. Use the back of the card to write any other necessary information such as important medical information.

Family Emergency Card	
My Name:	
Emergency Contact Name:	
Emergency Contact Phone:	
Out-of-Town Contact Name:	
Out-of-Town Contact Phone:	
Outdoor Meeting Place:	
Neighborhood Meeting Place:	
My Address:	

Family Emergency Card	
My Name:	
Emergency Contact Name:	
Emergency Contact Phone:	
Out-of-Town Contact Name:	
Out-of-Town Contact Phone:	
Outdoor Meeting Place:	
Neighborhood Meeting Place:	
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